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FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF PETITION BY SIX NATIONS IROQUOIS  
CONFEDERATION ON BEHALF OF THE INDIANS OF OGLALA NATION  
TO UNSYG AND CHAIRMAN OF HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION REPORTEDLY  
DELIVERED 4 MAY 1973:

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WE ARE THE CHIEFS WHO ARE APPEARING ON BEHALF OF THE IROQUOIS  
CONFEDERACY RESPECTFULLY PRESENT OUR PETITION TO YOU HOPING  
THAT YOU WILL USE YOUR GOOD OFFICES TO ASSIST OUR BESIEGED  
PEOPLE IN WOUNDED KNEE AND BRING ABOUT A PEACE.

WE PARTICULARLY WISH TO BRING TO THE ATTENTION OF THE UN  
THE TREATMENT OF INDIANS IN GENERAL AND THOSE IN WOUNDED KNEE  
IN PARTICULAR BY THE US GOVT. WE HAVE FOR A LONG TIME BEEN  
DEPRIVED OF MANY RIGHTS ENJOYED BY OTHER CITIZENS AND EVEN  
ALIENS IN THIS COUNTRY.

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WE ARE THE ORIGINAL INHABITANTS OF THIS CONTINENT AND WE DO  
NOT ENJOY THE SAME RIGHTS AS OTHER PEOPLE.

WE DEMAND AND ASK YOU ASSISTANCE IN HELPING US ACHIEVE A

BETTER TREATMENT OF INDIANS IN THIS COUNTRY. THE REMOVAL OF THE US ARMED FORCES FROM WOUNDED KNEE. WE ASK IN PARTICULAR THAT THIS LOFTY AND AUGUST BODY INTERVENE TO RENDER SOME HUMANITARIAN MEASURES TO OUR PEOPLE IN WOUNDED KNEE, PARTICULARLY IN ALLOWING THE PASSAGE OF FOOD AND MEDICAL HELP, WATER AND FUEL. ALSO THE FREE ACCESS AND MOVEMENT OF SPIRITUAL AND RELGIOUS LEADERS AND THE FREE ACCESS AND MOVEMENT OF ATTORNEYS WHO REPRESENT PERSONS UNDER INDICTMENT.

WE HAVE SIGNED WITH THE US GOVT AN AGREEMENT ON APRIL 5 TO WHICH WE HAVE STRICTLY ADHERED, AND THE US GOVT HAS VIOLATED SUCH AN AGREEMENT. WE REQUEST AN ADHERENCE BY THE US GOVT TO THIS AGREEMENT. WE, AS ONE OF THE OLDEST AND MOST INFLUENTIAL NATIONS AMONG THE INDIANS, ARE THEIR MEDIATOR, THROUGHOUT OUR HISTORY OF THIS COUNTRY, AND ARE OFFERING OUR HELP TO BRING ABOUT PEACE BETWEEN THE US GOVT AND THE INDIANS IN WOUNDED KNEE, AND WE ASK YOUR ENCOURAGEMENT AND ASSISTANCE IN OUR ENDEAVOUR. WE ALSO ASK THAT REPRESSIVE MEASURES AGAINST INDIANS INVOLVED IN SUPPORTING WOUNDED KNEE BE COMPLETELY STOPPED BY THE US GOVT.

WE ALSO REQUEST THE REMOVAL OF CENSORSHIP AND FREE INFORMATION ON THE FACTS IN WOUNDED KNEE AND NOT THE GOVT SIDE OF THE ISSUES PRESENTED AND THE INDIAN SIDE COMPLETELY SUPPRESSED.

( SIGNED)

CHIEF WILLIAMS LAZORE ONONDAGA

CHIEF LLOYD M. ELM, ONONDAGA

CHIEF LEON SHENANDOAH, ONONDAGA, IRAQUOIS CONFEDERATION

CHIEF MOSES DAVID, MOHAWK NATION

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INDIANS OF THE TUSCARORA NATION

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